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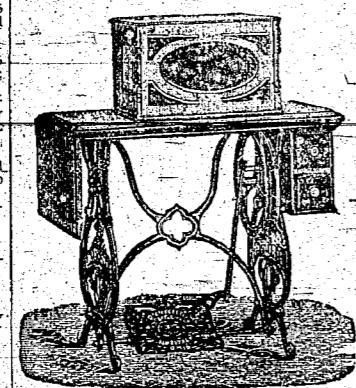
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 of 100 acres for sale; Cheap.

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Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry re-
 paired, and satisfaction guaranteed, at
 Dr. Traver's Drug Store.Remember the Methodist Camp
 Meeting at Higgins lake to commence
 on Tuesday, July 26, and to continue
 for a week.The little girl that inadvertently
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 railroad there, and also a round house
 erected at that place. Mebe so, mebe
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 Boston, and is said to have recently
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A respondent says that crops
 are looking well in the southeastern
 part of this township, and that not-
 withstanding the dry weather, wheat,
 oats, corn and potatoes bid fair to
 yield good returns from the seed
 planted.

Mr. H. M. Alger, who has been
 stopping in this village for a few weeks,
 and recently from Ohio, has been en-
 gaged to teach the Roscommon school
 at \$50 per month. Mr. Alger sustains
 a high reputation as an educator, and
 we are glad to learn of this recogni-
 tion of his talents.

Quite a number of our village
 folks are rusticking at Portage lake
 this week, among whom are Prosecut-
 ing Attorney, J. O. Hadley and family,
 Sheriff, London and family, Dr. G. M.
 F. Davis and family, H. J. Kilborn
 and family, County Clerk Steckert,
 and others.

Mr. Wm. Stephan, Sr., of Grove,
 left on Monday's train for Jackson, to
 work in the locomotive department of
 the M. C. R. Co.'s shops. Mr. S.
 formerly worked in a like capacity for
 a number of years at St. Louis, Mo., is
 very ingenious with tools, and is a first
 class machinist.

Brother C. J. Fuller, of the Otsego
 County Herald, passed through our
 village Tuesday, enroute to the far
 West, on a tour of pleasure and in-
 vestigation, and will shoot off his local
 wad the biggest kind when he returns
 to the astonishment, delight and edification
 of the Gaylordites.

Last Sunday, a cow belonging to
 Mr. Philip Mosher was discovered
 nired in the ditch recently made across
 Mr. Britt's marsh, about one mile
 north of this village. The animal was
 soon released from the treacherous
 mire. For drainage purposes we pro-
 nounce said ditch a failure, but an admir-
 able cow-catcher.

Salling, Hanson & Co. received a large
 invoice of smoking tobacco last
 week, comprising several different well
 known brands, aggregating \$50 pounds,
 which we were told would all be sold
 by retail trade inside the next 90 days.
 This firm sell upwards of 3,000 pounds
 of that comestible annually.

A letter from the base ball club of
 Kalkaska was received in this village
 last week, containing a friendly chal-
 lenge to play a match game at ball
 with the Grayling club, but as the later
 club is too defunct for a resurrected
 team, we will have to respectfully de-
 cline joining issues with them this sea-
 son, which we regret, as we know it
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STRAYED.—From the premises of the
 undersigned, at Smith bridge, on the
 Au Sable, a span of black horses,
 Horse and mare. The mare is blind in
 left eye, and has a sore on hip. The
 horse is branded "S. B." on left shoul-
 der. A liberal reward will be paid for
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The recent change in the arrival
 and departure of trains at this and other
 stations along the line of this road,
 is not giving very general satisfaction,
 judging from numerous complaints
 that are being made. Some of the Bay
 City people are manifesting consider-
 able displeasure on account of the
 change, and we have no doubt another
 change will be effected soon.

A party of gay excursionists bent
 on a rustle-tour arrived here
 Tuesday from Dearborn county, Indiana,
 away down on the Ohio near the
 city of Port Huron, and have gone over
 to Portage lake to join forces with the
 Williams party, and will just decline
 to go to the latter's retreat.

Williams, the boss' walkist, lives in
 Boston, and is said to have recently
 walked a mile in 6 minutes and 30 sec-
 onds, which is the best time on record
 by 9 seconds.

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A circular just received from Hon.
 Wm. Jenney, Secretary of State, gives
 wheat statistics from 1,000 townships,
 or 96 per cent of all in the State. The
 total number of acres in the State in
 1880 was 1,765,645, from which there
 was gathered 30,526,567 bushels, or on
 an average of 17.29 bushels per acre.

The miser did not dispute the circum-
 stances in court, but requested to see
 the document, which he then read
 aloud with great deliberation. "And
 did you cure my wife, sir?" he asked,

"Yes, I did," replied the doctor.

—THE KRUPP STEEL WORKS.—Mr.

J. S. Potter, United States Consul at

Crefeld, Germany, in a private letter,

gives an interesting description of the

steel works of Herr Krupp, whose col-

ossal establishment at Essen he has

recently visited. The average number

of men employed is 18,542, represent-

ing a population of more than \$0,000

persons dependent upon the industry

controlled by a single man. Mr. Potter

was particularly impressed by the per-

fect system, order, and quiet which

prevail at the works, and does not re-

member having heard a single loud

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THE FISH-BALL.
By W. E. MUNKITTRICK.

Let me sing,
The fisher-song,
And buckskin-sabre and griddle-hat;
I am free by water;
Place lobster-fried;
Pork chops and other comestibles;
And get unto my dying day,
While o'er my region I am lord,
I'll stand before the world and say!
"The fish-ball is its own reward!"

I'm fond of them;
And crushed jam;
And macaroni crowned with bacon;
Yet, while's a sight;
For cake and pie,
My faith in Jesus remains unshaken;
But when my fancy's running wild,
And I'm by no gay lark outsoared,
I preach to woman, man and child;
"The fish-ball is its own reward!"

Old gray marlin;
You've often seen;
Nailed up against a door or shutter;
The little boy;
Just jumps with joy;
To see you served with milk and butter;
Oh! dwelt I far beyond the sea,
By fifty thousand girls adored;
The motto of my soul would be;
"The fish-ball is its own reward!"

Oh, noble cod!

To you I nod;

You make us all real-fatted;

With touch with wine;

You're quite divine;

Under the Macbeths' native,

Oh! when the old and bold and gray,

With whose horns so richly stored,

Unite to face the world and say:

"The fish-ball is its own reward!"

A STRANGE STORY.

I have a strange, almost incredible, story to tell of an experience of my own on a fearful night in the woods. Imagination had nothing to do with it, for I am a backwood's daughter, accustomed to the wild sounds of the forest, the loneliness, and all that is terrifying to a novice.

My father was a good man, serving God after his own simple fashion, seeing Him and loving Him in His works. I have heard him hold forth on the provident ways of the "beaver." "Why the little critter'd starve in the cold season if it hadn't used its little 'hat tail' for buildin' its house, and then fillin' it with food in time!" I have heard him tell of the carriou: "Look at that, too," he would say, "and at the moose. Now, the carriou has to travel often a matter of twenty miles for dinner, for he's a dainty 'un, and only eats the long gray moss that hangs from the trees; so God gave him snow-shoes, good as an Injin could make 'em, to skim over the ice crust—while the big, heavy moose there sinks right in. His dinner is close at hand. He could live for months on an acre lot." He could speak the loon, and its adaptation in every way to its watery home—always ending such talk with: "All God's works are 'pon honor; there's no half-way with Him."

I was the only one left of ten children. My father, when mourning over and missing the others, would never complain but only say, "They're better off. Why, if we can't trust the little children that don't know the meaning of sin, there ain't any chance for the men!"

And so he lived his quiet life—his heart breathing close to nature's heart, and his soul unconsciously seeking and finding nature's God.

My mother must have been beautiful in her youth. She was a *lovely Canadienne*, and her bright French spirits carried her gayly over many hard trials in her life of frequent deprivation. One great, overshadowing sorrow of her life was the unaccountable disappearance of her little year-old daughter, her only beautiful child—the one in her own image, whom from the first she loved with a peculiar tenderness.

The child had been left alone in her little birch-bark crib for a short half-hour, while mother was busy at the spring, a mile from home, in the midst of the woods. I, a little 6-year-old, was off in the canoe with my father, as a treat for having been especially good the day before. Father and I had a splendid time—we always did when we were away together—and our canoe full of trout, we were coming gayly home toward evening, when a cold chill fell on our happiness, and my child's heart felt a strange thrill as I read a sudden anxiety in my father's face, whose every change I knew. His quick ear had caught the sound of mother's voice, and, after a while, I, too, could hear a hopeless moan—a dreadful, heart-broken sound. We found mother kneeling on the floor, her hand leaning on the empty crib, and moaning as one that could not be comforted. The baby was gone. How or where we could not tell—we never knew. Weeks were spent in searching for her, and at length, to save mother's reason, father forced her to leave the pretty log cabin in the woods by the lake, where this last sorrow had come upon her, and we went to Montreal.

There we lived quietly for years during the winter time. The nuns of the great Convent of the Gray Sisters took charge of my education. Mother and I had neat little rooms in the French quarter, while father went off moose-hunting for weary months; but the summer time we always spent with him. He would choose lovely spots for our summer encampments, never on the site of the log cabin deserted after the baby's loss, until the summer of my 19th year. Then a great desire took possession of my mother to go once more to the old home. She had been very delicate that winter, and my great, rough father denied her nothing. I shudder when I think of that beautiful, direful place now—it seems as though our evil fate hovered about it. All the anguish I ever knew centers there.

We passed one peaceful month together, disturbed only by distant rumors of diphtheria, a scourge which seemed to be striking from village to village, first on the river, then nearer on the great lakes, but we never thought of its touching us, until one miserable night, when father came home, languid and feverish, from one of his numerous expeditions, and we read in his face that the ghastly finger of the scourge had set its mark upon him. After the second day of anxiety about father all strength seemed to fail my delicate little mother. From the first she had despised about him, and now I saw that, if father's life were taken, I should have to part with them both.

Her life would die with his, for sorrow forges stronger bonds even than joy, and they had suffered so much together; his love always supporting her, that he had become life of her life. She could not exist alone.

I struggled hand to hand, and sick at heart against what I felt to be an inexorable fate, and, on the afternoon of the eighth day, I found myself alone and almost despairing; save for the happiness of the two I had loved best in the world.

The sunset came, as I sat by the lake side, floating my desolate world with a heavenly glory, like a sign from them to me their new-found joy.

The stars had come out, before I ventured to return to the worse than deserted house. I could not hope for help from any neighbor until I sought it out myself the next day, and I had to look forward to a night, how horrible. I did not foresee or I could not have endured it. What followed I could scarcely credit myself, if I did not bear on my hand a tangible proof in a well-defined scar; and even now, I could not bear to write of that night's experience, had not my children's laughter, and my loving husband's care long since banished all unnatural gloom from my life.

While I had been sitting alone on the lake shore, toward the evening, I had heard a distant shot; it scarcely roused me. A sportsman, I thought, had wandered from his encampment on the opposite shore, and seen some game in our wildwoods, killed it, and his canoe had long since carried him away. In the gathering darkness I groped my way back through the familiar little path, and reached my own door. I alone should pass the threshold in the future, their feet were still; the busiest fact that had told for me, followed me, and had been near me! I was to go on my rugged path alone! Heartsink and overcome, I stopped at the door, and, leaning my head against it, sobbed in uncontrollable despair. Tired out at length, I had grown quiet, and was about to lift the latch when a faint moan, as of an animal in pain, and close to me, startled me; then a death-like silence reigned.

"Very well. About what price?"

"Say from \$4 to \$6."

"Yes, sir. Hero is for \$4. It is for a kitchen girl on Sixteenth street, and I call it an excellent thing for the money."

"I—I guess we don't want none for \$4," he muttered, as a chill flew up his spine.

"It's very cheap, I assure you, and the colors are very popular with kitchen girls, but here is one for \$6."

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"So it is, sir. That is for a servant girl on Winder street; and she certainly has good taste. It is the cheapest bonnet I have made for a year."

"Yes—ahem—no doubt!" gasped the old gent, as the streaks began to color his neck and chin. "And what's the price of this one?"

"That? That is sold to a barber's wife for \$8, but I could get you up the mate to it if you wish."

"Barber's wife—ahem—\$8, and this one?"

"Well; I made the price very low on that one, as it is for a seamstress who always buys of me. I only charged her \$12 for that."

"Seamstress, eh?"

"Yes. She goes out for 75 cents per day, and of course she can't afford any better than this."

Old Whetstone was as red as a strawberry this time, and it was only by a tremendous effort of will that he could repress a "gosh darn it!"

"You wouldn't care to look at this \$16 bonnet, as it is for a mechanic's wife," softly remarked the milliner.

"No—ahem—perhaps not," he grunted.

"But this one \$20 might possibly do."

She went on, "although your wife's position in society would only permit her to wear it for second best. Just wait and I'll show you something for \$25 which will charm you."

"I won't. I'll be hanged if I wait a minute!" he exclaimed, as he rose up.

"I don't feel very well, and I've also agreed to meet a man at the City Hall at 3 o'clock. Martha, you go ahead and pick out a bonnet."

"One—for—for—for \$4?" she whispered.

"Four-behangs! Who said anything about \$4?" If you can make one for \$20 do you, I'll take it; but if you look better in one for \$25, you can have it sent up. What I was scolding about this morning was the shape of your bonnet—not the cost. I still hold that the shapes are outrageous; but you've got to have one all the same."

And when he got out doors and around the corner, he struck the air with his hands and yelled:

"If a man had played that on me, I'd hunt him to his narrow grave!"—Detroit Free Press.

The price of carriages for funerals in New York has been raised 20 per cent.

They're bound the sorrow exhibited by the mourners shall be sincere.

Oh! I was so weary and so very lonely! The dreadful night was almost

at an end. I went to her side, threw myself on the bed beside her, and put my arms about her neck. Again her wonderful eyes opened full in my face. I fixed them with my own. I caressed her, called her by the endearing names of old. I besought her to be gentle and to love me. I told her she was my own, the only creature left for me to love and care for! One short second it seemed as if a soul looked out of her glorious, deer eyes, then, with a groan as if she gave the struggle over, and with that lawful, fearful growl again, she fastened her white teeth in my hand.

Stricken with pain, I fainted. When I awoke to myself, dawn was struggling in at the window; leaf-shadows flickered on the floor. Painful pain in my hand, roused me at length, and a consuming thirst drove me into the woods toward the spring to quench it.

I struggled through the underbrush, and there, close to the water, discerned a confused mass. There lay my poor sister, dead, her head pillow'd on a wild cat of the woods, shot by the same hand, probably, that had wounded her fatally.

A MAN IN A MILLINERY STORE.

She had finally hinted that she didn't care to go to church again until she had her summer bonnet, but, at the mention of bonnet, he turned around and believed out:

"Bonnet! Nother new bonnet! Why don't you go down and buy out every internal bonnet foundry on Woodward Avenue, and be done with it?"

"I haven't had but on this string," she meekly protested.

"One! Why, you've had forty!"

"Only one, my dear, and I can show you the bill."

"Well, that cost \$10 or \$50."

"Oh, no. The bill is only \$19."

"Nineteen dollars! Well, that's an outrageous swindle!"

"It is a very plain bonnet," she remarked, "and it was only for spring."

"How much will a summer hat cost?"

He asked, after reading down to the end of a column.

"Well, I'll try to get along with \$10 or \$12, but you—"

"Ten or twelve demons!" he yelled, as he half rose up. "I tell you it's an outrageous swindle, and no one but an idiot would submit! They taek the price on because they think you don't know brain from broom-sticks!"

"Then go down with me and make the purchase."

"Egad! I will. I'll go this very day, and if I don't buy a better bonnet for \$4 than you have ever had for \$10 I'll eat shingles!"

That afternoon they entered a millinery store in company, and the old gent, had the look of a man who was bound to win if it broke his leg.

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Old Whetstone was as red as a strawberry this time, and it was only by a tremendous effort of will that he could repress a "gosh darn it!"

"You wouldn't care to look at this \$16 bonnet, as it is for a mechanic's wife," softly remarked the milliner.

"No—ahem—perhaps not," he grunted.

"But this one \$20 might possibly do."

She went on, "although your wife's position in society would only permit her to wear it for second best. Just wait and I'll show you something for \$25 which will charm you."

"I won't. I'll be hanged if I wait a minute!" he exclaimed, as he rose up.

"I don't feel very well, and I've also agreed to meet a man at the City Hall at 3 o'clock. Martha, you go ahead and pick out a bonnet."

"One—for—for—for \$4?" she whispered.

"Four-behangs! Who said anything about \$4?" If you can make one for \$20 do you, I'll take it; but if you look better in one for \$25, you can have it sent up. What I was scolding about this morning was the shape of your bonnet—not the cost. I still hold that the shapes are outrageous; but you've got to have one all the same."

And when he got out doors and around the corner, he struck the air with his hands and yelled:

"If a man had played that on me, I'd hunt him to his narrow grave!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Avalanche

BIOGRAPHICAL.

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why some heads are contracting.—Toronto Mail.

CLIPPING.

VIRTUE is the politeness of the soul.—Bataze.</

NEWS IN BRIEF.

POLITICAL

TOTAL VOTE. —Lefroy, who murdered Golds, an English railway man, was arrested in East London, and made a full confession.

The voting in one of the chambers of a military barracks at Paris went in fire-fighting and soldiers on the floor beneath. Twenty were injured, eight seriously.

The Monetary Conference at Paris has adjourned to April 12 next, after expressing a desire that negotiations shall be opened between the states participating to end its details.

Prince Alexander of Bulgaria is determined to win those who opposed him in the recent elections. The late Ministers are to be prosecuted for malversation in office on the ground that defects exist in the accounts of the Minister of Finance and of the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Another revolution has broken out in South America. Venezuela is the theater of war this time. The President, Guzman Blasco, at the head of 10,000 men, has already taken the field against the insurgents.

Guzman, ex-President of the republic of Santo Domingo, is now in the island of St. Thomas, purchasing arms and ammunition, preparatory to the invasion of the country over whose destiny he once presided.

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A long-ago Irish agricultural laborer is to be put forward by the Government as a candidate for a place in the House of Commons from a South of Ireland constituency. The efforts, of course, to show that there are Irish agriculturists who are not Land Leaguers.

The experiment of lighting the Boulevard des Italiens, Paris, with naked electric lights of great power, hung from wires suspended on poles forty-five feet high, was not successful. The light was too intense and painful to the eye.

It is rumored in Constantinople that Midhat Pasha attempted to commit suicide in prison, but was prevented by the jailer.

After the Boston athlete, continuing to beat the English champion athletes, and without much effort either. In the mile walking race over a grass course at Lewes, he won easily, defeating six competitors. He walked the mile in six minutes and thirty-nine seconds, beating the best time on record, six minutes and forty-eight seconds.

Troubles crowd thick, and fast upon the

Sick Man. Greece has just taken away part of his territory, France threatens to take more, and now comes Germany, through Prince Bismarck, and demands that the ransom money recently paid for German citizens captured by Roumanian brigands shall be refunded by the Porte.

The Siberian plague has appeared in the suburbs of St. Petersburg, and is spreading with great rapidity among both men and horses.

Prince Alexander, of Bulgaria, has issued a manifesto to his subjects, promising a liberal government.

In a regatta on the River Thames the London crew won by three lengths, the Thames crew second and the Cornells third.

The German harvest will be one-half to two-thirds the average yield.

PERSONAL

Prof. C. V. Riley has been appointed entomologist of the Department of Agriculture.

Hon. R. W. Thompson, ex-Secretary of the Navy, has been elected President of a company which intends to build a railroad from Buffalo to Cincinnati.

The Hon. P. W. Higbee, who served as United States Senator from Nebraska for the term of six years ending March 3, 1877, is dead.

The Right Rev. J. D. Berfoot, Bishop of Pittsburgh, died at Myersdale, Pa., after a prolonged illness.

The Right Hon. Baron Hatherly, an eminent English jurist, is dead.

John A. Appleton, of the great New York publishing house of Appleton & Co., is dead.

Judge Clifford, of the United States Supreme Court, has had his foot amputated on account of gangrene.

The death is announced of Gen. J. C. Pemberton, who commanded the rebel forces at Vickburg, at the time of its capture by Gen. Grant.

At the late convention of American Hebrew congregations in Chicago, the people of Spain was thanked for resolution for offering an asylum in their country to the Russian Jews.

GENERAL

Intense hot weather ruled last week in St. Louis, Cincinnati and various parts of Illinois. A large number of cases of sunstroke are reported.

Gen. Dudley, the Commissioner of Pen-sions, has recommended the discharge of over 100 clerks and the reduction in pay of over sixty clerks of the Pension Bureau, because of the shortness of the appropriation made by the last Congress.

The Buffalo city directory for 1881 contains 52,600 names, which, it is claimed, represent a population of about 170,000.

The Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, at their annual session at Halifax, passed resolutions condemning the attempt on President Garfield's life, expressive of sympathy with the President and hope for his speedy recovery. The Ohio Democratic convention at Columbus, adopted similar resolutions.

Maud S. beat her record at Pittsburgh, Pa., making 2:10.

The winter was unusually severe in the Arctic circle. At Spitzbergen the ice is not yet breaking up.

The American Dental Association, in session at New York, elected the following officers: President, H. A. Smith, Cincinnati; Vice Presidents, W. C. Barr, of Buffalo, and G. J. Fredericks, of New Orleans; Recording Secretary, G. H. Cushing, Chicago; Corresponding Secretary, A. M. Dudley, Salem, Mass.; Treasurer, W. H. Goddard, Louisville. Resolutions were adopted of sympathy with President Garfield and his family in their present affliction.

a can of kerosene which was being used at the prison, New York, originating in a political disturbance met in caucus at Albany, on the 8th inst., to place in nomination two Republican candidates to succeed Conkling and Platt. A letter was read from Chauncey M. Depew announcing his withdrawal from the contest. The nominees were ex-Vice President Wheeler, Gov. Cornell; Congressman Warner Miller, Congressman Crowley, Sherman Bogart and Lyman Trimaine. On the fourth ballot Miller received sixty-two votes, and his nomination was thus made unanimous. Candidates to succeed Conkling were then balloted for, and on the second ballot Congressman Eldridge G. Lapham received sixty-five votes, all that were cast, and was declared the nominee of the caucus, which then adjourned. The Stalwarts met in council, and resolved to support Conkling and Crowley.

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Four negroes of Greenville, S. C., who fired the Opera House in that city, will be executed in September for arson.

An affray between convicts in Clinton

LATEST NEWS.

At Poutine, Russia, nineteen men and girls were slain in a bora for refusing to work, all of whom were burned to death by a mob setting fire to the building.

Senator Butler, of South Carolina, called at the White House, in Washington, the other day, and requested the President's private secretary to convey to Mrs. Garfield his sympathy for her anxiety and trouble, and his joy at the increasing prospects of the President's recovery. He said the people of his State and of the entire South hailed with joy the hopes which the reports from the sick room warranted.

Senator Camacho, the Venezuelan Minister at Washington, saw Guiteau shoot the President. He says that when Guiteau raised his pistol to fire the first shot his air was of a calm, determined man. After having fired, he became agitated and shot the second time at random. When the people cried out to kill the assassin, he seemed full of terror. The fellow is, beside being a cold-blooded ruffian, an arrant coward.

There was little or no change in the political situation at Albany on the 13th, Lapham had 63 votes, Potter 52, and Conkling 32, with 78 necessary to a choice. For the long term Miller had 41 votes, Kernan 45, and Wheeler 18. A committee of five, appointed at a recent meeting of state-wide Republican members, made an appeal to the joint caucus committee to unite in a call for a caucus, arguing that the election of the present candidates, Lapham and Miller, would cause two vacancies in the National House of Representatives at a critical period. The Chairman of the Senate caucuses committee replied to the effect that the Conkling faction neglected the opportunity to participate in just such a gathering as it now asked for.

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Correspondence.

FREDERICKSBURG, July 10, 1881.
Editor Avalanche.—Recent rains have improved the appearance of our crops generally, and have gladdened the hearts of those of us who are depending on our potatoes to buy up our supplies. Corn has been rather backward but the "hotness" lately has sent it along on the jump, and some pieces are in the tassel. Haying is pretty well along; the crop is rather light, though fair. Red raspberries suffered some from the June frosts, but there will be an abundance of the later berries, only the first of them being injured. Huckleberries are scarce, less than one-fourth of the yield of last year. Blackberries will not come up to the average, though in some localities will be plenty.

L. W. Wight is putting up a warehouse near his store. Mr. Henry Smith has a dwelling in process of erection. The family of James Ball went out to spend a short time at the home of the parents of Mrs. Ball, right away after the checking of the diphtheria in our midst, and after getting there their little Gracie was taken down with it and died Sunday night July 10th. A telegram was sent to Mr. Ball on the sickness of the child, but he did not reach there until after her death.

Dr. Morrison has been summoned East I understand, by the death of his father. He is expected to return in a few days.

J. S. McMullen & Co. will finish shipping their logs this week.

With a great many others, I have been prejudiced against our Northern plains. I have lately visited the south part of the county, in the township of Beaver Creek, and feel that in due justice to them I must briefly recount what I saw, and some facts that I learned while there. I was surprised to see crops looking so well. I saw several pieces of oats that were fair, not heavy; but no none of them had had the benefit of any manure or phosphate, they were far better than I expected to see. Farmers have generally from five to twenty-five acres under cultivation. Corn and potatoes looked well. Mr. Batterson, Supervisor of the township, informed me that three acres of potatoes had yielded as a first crop over fifty bushels to the acre. Andrew J. Love told me he had dug over three hundred bushels off of two acres, as a second crop. Mr. Woodburn has a very fair piece of clover and timothy hay, which he says is the fifth crop, and has had no manure. They do not claim the productiveness of the hard wood land, but claim a fair compensation for their labor. Their crops are easily put in. One man and team will break from fifteen to twenty acres and plant it the first year, which I need say is impossible in the timber, and they can afford a lighter yield. But for a poor man who has to begin without team or means, the timbered land offer the best inducement, as they may plant without plowing, and do not require any fencing, which they are obliged to have on the plains. I think, taken altogether, our county should rank among the first.

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Jackson...Lv.	7:00 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	6:30 a.m.
Rives Junction	7:25	5:45	11:00
Mason	8:15	5:15	9:30
Holt	8:30	5:25	10:30
Lansing	Ar. 8:30	5:45	11:20
Bath	8:37	6:10	10:15 p.m.
Laingsburg	8:55	6:28	1:00
Remington	8:40	6:45	1:40
D. & M. Crossing	8:52	6:57	2:15
Oswego	8:55	7:30	3:00
Oakley	10:18	7:45	4:10
Cheaning	10:28	8:00	4:45
St. Charles	10:48	8:20	5:05
Tittabawasee	11:13	8:45	5:45
Saginaw City	11:28	9:00	7:15 p.m.
E. Saginaw	11:38	9:10	7:25
F. & P. M. Jun.	11:45	9:15	
Zilwaukee	11:50	9:25	
West Bay City	12:15 p.m.	9:53	
Bay City	12:30	10:00	

SOUTHWARD			
STATIONS.	Jackson	Chicago	Jackson
Bay City...Lv.	6:30 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	Freight
West Bay City	6:38	4:53	
Alvinston	7:02	5:20	

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